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SUBJECT: SIEVERS ARREST CASE

REF: STATE 299577

AS REPORTED REFTTEL, RUCHKIN'S COURT APPEARANCE HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL JANUARY 27. IN THE MEANTIME HE RETAINS HIS LICENSE AND FULL DRIVING PRIVILEGES. PANAM NEW YORK REQUESTED THAT DEPARTMENT POINT THIS OUT TO SOVIET GOVERNMENT IN EFFORT TO GET SOVIET AUTHORITIES TO RETURN SIEVERS' DRIVERS LICENSE UNTIL HIS COURT APPEARANCE.

DEPARTMENT DECLINED TO NEGOTIATE ANY SUCH LINKAGE OF THE TWO CASES WITH THE SOVIETS, BUT AGREED TO TRANSMIT THROUGH EMBASSY TO DRAHORAD THE SUGGESTION THAT DRAHORAD ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE RETURN OF SIEVERS' LICENSE ON GROUNDS THAT RUCHKIN HAS HIS. KISSINGER

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